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SUBJECT: PASSENGER SHIPPING IN THE MEDITERRANEAN: SECURITY
THREAT TO AMERICAN TOURISTS

REF: A) STATE 51872, MARCH 21, 1973; B) STATE 80073,
APRIL 27, 1973

INFORM CONSULS

1. DEPARTMENT HAS AGAIN RECEIVED REPORTS OF TERRORIST
THREATS TO PASSENGER SHIPPING IN MEDITERRANEAN. WITH
ARRIVAL OF SPRING, AND EASTER AND PASSOVER HOLIDAYS, THERE
IS NORMAL SEASONAL SURGE IN CRUISE SHIPS IN MEDITERRANEAN,
MANY OF THEM CARRYING LARGE NUMBERS OF AMERICAN TOURISTS.
DEPARTMENT INTERESTED THAT ADDRESSEES' HOST GOVERNMENTS BE
AWARE OF THIS CONTINUING SECURITY THREAT AND ARE TAKING
APPROPRIATE SECURITY MEASURES AGAINST TERRORISTS' THREAT.
BECAUSE OF WIDE POSSIBILITIES OF TERRORIST TACTICS, SECUR-
ITY MEASURES NEED BE DIRECTED BOTH TO PASSENGERS AND TO
VESSEL.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: ADDRESSEES REQUESTED TO RAISE
TERRORIST PROBLEM WITH APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES OF HOST
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GOVERNMENT, EXPLAINING U.S. CONCERN ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT
OF LARGE NUMBERS OF AMERICAN TOURISTS TRAVELING ON

PASSENGER SHIPS IN MEDITERRANEAN, AND INQUIRE WHAT TYPES
OF SECURITY MEASURES BEING TAKEN. EMBASSIES SHOULD, AS
APPROPRIATE, COORDINATE WITH CONSULATES AT SEAPORTS.
DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN.

3. AS STATED REF B, DEPARTMENT WILL OF COURSE CONTINUE
ALERT POSTS ABOUT INDIVIDUAL SHIPS IN EVENT THEY ARE
SUBJECT TO SPECIAL RISK. KISSINGER

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